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SUBJ: NATO-HAWK BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, 15 - 17 OCT 1975

REF: A. HMO/2.2.01/2290/75 (FINAL AGENDA)

B. HMO/6.100.01/2601/75

C. FMS CASE DA/NHPLO-UHX, LOT ACCEPTANCE FIRINGS AT WSMR

BEGIN SUMMARY. NATO-HAWK BOD MET IN PARIS 15-17 OCTOBER 1975. ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE US INCLUDED PROGRESS OF THE EUROPEAN HAWK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, SELECTION OF MISSILE FIRING RANGES, PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE MEDIUM SAM STUDIES, ACCELERATED MISSILE DELIVERIES, AND HAWK SOFTWARE. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) 30-DAY EXTENSION ON US FMS OFFER FOR NATO-HAWK USE OF WSMR; (B) STATUS AND AVAILABILITY OF EXCESS HAWK SHIPPING CONTAINERS FOR POSSIBLE

USE BY THE NETHERLANDS; (C) CONFIRMATION BY CINCUSNAVEUR OF INTEREST IN POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE FIRING RANGE VENTURE WITH FRANCE AND ITALY. END SUMMARY.

1. NATO-HAWK BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD), WHO MET IN PARIS 15-17OCT 75, DISCUSSED FOLLOWING SUBJECTS PER AGENDA (REF A) WHICH ARE OF INTEREST TO THE US:

A. ITEM 1. SUMMARY RECORD OF BOD MEETING OF 24-27 JUNE 75. APPROVED WITH ONLY MINOR CORRECTIONS.

B. ITEM 2.2. PROGRESS REPORT IN THE HAWK EUROPEAN LIMITED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HELIP). THE HELIP IS ON SCHEDULE DESPITE EARLIER PROGRAM SETBACKS (SUCH AS PRODUCTION DELAYS OF CGE FIAR DUE TO GE EXPORT LICENSE DELAY EARLY IN 1975). HOWEVER THERE IS NO SAFETY MARGIN LEFT IN THE SCHEDULE. ANY MORE PROGRAM DELAYS FROM THIS POINT ON WOULD RESULT IN ESTIMATED COST INCREASES (MINIMUM) OF \$640,000 PER MONTH OF DELAY. CRUCIAL MILESTONE FOR HELIP WILL BE FIRST MISSILE LOT ACCEPTANCE FIRINGS, SCHEDULED FOR EARLY NOV 75 AT WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE (WSMR).

C. ITEM 2.7. SELECTION OF A FIRING RANGE. FRANCE AND ITALY COMBINED EFFORTS TO PROPOSE A JOINT EUROPEAN FIRING RANGE SOLUTION FOR THE REMAINING LOTS OF MISSILES (AFTER LOTS 1-4, SCHEDULED FOR FIRING AT WSMR). THE FRANCO/ITALIAN SOLUTION CALLS UNCLASSIFIED

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FOR A GUARANTEED CEILING PRICE WHICH IS 15-20 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE US FMS QUOTATION OF APPROXIMATELY 11 MILLION DOLLARS. FRANCE AND ITALY, WORKING WITH THE NATO-HAWK MANAGEMENT OFFICE (NHMO) WILL TRY TO PREPARE A DETAILED PROPOSAL BY 30 OCT 75, WHICH DATE CORRESPONDS TO EXPIRATION OF THE US FMS OFFER. IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERESTED CONTRACTORS COULD BE COMPLETED BY THAT DATE, AND AN EXTENSION OF THE FMS OFFER VALIDITY MAY BECOME NECESSARY. ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORITY FOR US NATO HAWK LIAISON OFFICER (NHLO) TO EXTEND VALIDITY OF THE

FMS CASE OFFER (REF C) FOR AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS. MISSION COMMENT. ASIDE FROM THE FRENCH AND ITALIAN DELEGATIONS, THERE WAS LITTLE ENTHUSIASM FOR THE FRANCO/ITALIAN SOLUTION. THE NETHERLANDS,

DENMARK, AND GREECE ALL WENT ON RECORD AS PREFERRING THE MOST ECONOMICAL SOLUTION (US OFFER) BUT AGREED TO CONSIDER THE FINAL FRANCO/ITALIAN PROPOSAL FOR EUROPEAN LOT-ACCEPTANCE (LA) FIRINGS. THE FRG PLACED A GENERAL RESERVATION ON ANY SOLUTION OTHER THAN FIRING ALL MISSILES AT WSMR. END COMMENT.

D. ITEM 2.8. THEATER READINESS MONITORING FACILITY (TRMF). THE BOD ENGAGED IN BITTER DEBATE AND COULD NOT REACH AGREEMENT ON LOCATION OF A TRMF-NORTH. FRANCE AND THE FRG REMAINED IN DEADLOCK OVER THE ISSUE WITH FRANCE HOLDING OUT FOR THE FIRM OF SODETEG AND THE FRG FOR AEG TELEFUNKEN. PROCEDURES USED BY THE NHMO IN THE PROPOSAL PROCESS LED TO THE CURRENT DISPUTE. FRANCE (GEN. COUCHIE) SUGGESTED USE OF NAMSA AS A NEUTRAL COMPROMISE LOCATION BUT THERE WAS NO SUPPORT FROM OTHER NATIONS. ULTIMATE SOLUTION IS NOT PREDICTABLE AT THIS TIME.

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E. ITEM 2.9. EARLY DELIVERY OF MISSILE. IN CORRIDOR
DISCUSSION OF THIS PROBLEM THE NETHERLANDS ASKED THE US REP ABOUT
AVAILABILITY OF EXTRA HAWK MISSILE SHIPPING CONTAINERS,
POSSIBLY FROM THE USMC. AS WASHINGTON WILL RECALL, THE US WAS
ABLE TO ASSIST THE NETHERLANDS WITH ACQUISITION OF USMC

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EXCESS MISSILE LOADERS AT A LARGE COST SAVINGS IN THE NETHERLANDS
ADD-ON PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL IMPROVED HAWK EQUIPMENT. ACTION
REQUESTED: STATUS AND AVILABILITY OF EXCESS HAWK MISSILE SHIP-
PING CONTAINERS FROM EITHER DA OR USMC STOCKS. WE SUGGEST
DIRECT CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND CHMAAG, THE
HAGUE ON THIS MATTER, WITH INFO TO USNHLO, PARIS AND
USNATO.

F. ITEM 2.10. USE OF NHPLO FOR FUTURE MEDIUM SAM
STUDIES. THE GENERALMANAGER (MG COERDT) HAD DISTRIBUTED A COM-
PREHENSIVE PAPER ON THIS SUBJECT (REF B) PRIOR TO THE BOD
MEETING, BUT MOST COUNTRIES HAD NOT HAD TIME FOR DETAILED REVIEW
OF THE SUBJECT. DIRECTORS AGREED TO COMMUNICATE VIEWS IN
WRITING TO ENABLE GEN. COERDT TO DRAFT A REPLY ON THIS MATTER
TO THE NATO ASST. SEC. GEN. FOR DEFENSE SUPPORT (DR. TUCKER).

G. ITEM 2.11. SOFTWARE. US BOD REP (COL. LYNCH), WITH
BACKUP FROM LTC SHAW, REF OF USA AIR DEFENSE SCHOOL, SUGGESTED
THAT THE BOD DEFER ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AMBITIOUS COSTLY SOFT-
WARE WORKING GROUP AND INSTEAD PLAN TO ESTABLISH CLOSE LIAISON
WITH THE US (MISSILE COMMAND AND AIR DEFENSE SCHOOL) WORKING GROUP
WHICH IS INTENDED TO CORRECT CERTAIN PROBLEMS IN IMPROVED
HAWK BLOCK 8 SOFTWARE AND DEFELOP ANY ADDITIONAL POST-DEPLOYMENT
CHANGES REQUIRED. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE FRG, WHO WANTED
DETAILED PLANNING TO COMMENCE RIGHT NOW, THE COUNTRIES EXPRESSED
AGREEMENT TO POSTPONE UNTIL THE JAN 76 BOD MEETING ANY DECISION
ON A LETTER FROM NATO HAWK TO THE NATO SECGEN ON THIS SUBJECT.
IN THE MEANTIME, THE NH GENERAL MANAGER WILL PREPARE A DRAFT
LETTER TO THE SECGEN (TO BE CIRCULATED TOTHE BOD) WHICH WILL
REFLECT INFORMATION COLLECTED THUS FAR AND WHICH MIGHT BE
ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOD. CURRENT NHMO PLANNING CALLS FOR A SOFT-
WARE COMMITTEE WHICH WOULD REPORT TO THE NATO MILITARY COMMITTEE
AND NOT TO THE TRI-SERVICE GROUP ON AIR DEFENSE (AC/280) AS
ENVISIONED EARLIER. MISSION COMMENT. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE
ASSISTANCE OF LTC SHAW FROM THE USAADS ON THIS DELICATE SUBJECT,
AND SUGGEST THAT DA MAY WISH TO CONSIDER SENDING HIM AGAIN TO
THE BOD MEETING IN JAN. 76. THE NATO HAWK NATIONS WILL TAKE
SOME ACTION EVENTUALLY IN THIS AREA AND IT SURELY IS IN US
INTERESTS TO SHAPE THAT ACTION TO CONFORM TO OUR OWN EFFORTS IN
BOTH HAWK SOFTWARE AND INTEGRATION WITH HAWK OF THE AM/TSQ-73
MISSILE COMMAND AND CONTROL SYSTEM. END COMMENT.

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H. ITEM 6. NEXT BOD MEETING, 20-23 JAN 76 IN PRIS.

2. IN MATTER RELATED TO FRANCO/ITALIAN FIRING RANGE PROPOSAL DISCUSSED ABOVE WE LEARNED FROM A US CONTRACTOR (TELEDYNE-RYAN) AND CONFIRMED WITH STAFF OF CINCUSNAVEUR THAT THE USN SIXTH FLEET MAY HAVE A REQUIREMENT FOR MISSILE FIRING FACILITIES IN THE WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN. IN THE OPINION OF BOTH FRANCE AND ITALIAN NATO HAWK DIRECTORS (MR. MAXIME AND MG MONGONANI) BOTH FRANCE AND ITALY PROBABLY WOULD WELCOME USN PARTICIPATION IN FIRING RANGE ACTIVITIES WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF SPREADING OUT SOME RANGE SUPPORT (AND POSSIBLY TARGET) COSTS (FOR IMPROVED HAWK) OVER A BROADER BASE OF FIRINGS WHICH WOULD INCLUDE USN REQUIREMENTS. ACTION REQUESTED: CONFIRMATION BY CINCUSNAVEUR OF INTEREST IN POSSIBLE JOINT FIRING RANGE USE (C.E.M. IN FRANCE AND SOLTO DI QUIRRA ON SARDINIA) WITH NATO HAWK NATIONS. WASHINGTON CONCURRENCE IN PRINCIPLE WITH THIS PROPOSED (POSSIBLE) FIRING RANGE COOPERATIVE EFFORT.

3. NATIONAL DIRECTOR CHANGES AT THIS MEETING OF THE BOD INCLUDED REPLACEMENT OF MG DIETENS BY AIR COMMODORE TRAAST, BOTH OF THE ROYAL NETHERLANDS AIR FORCE. STREATOR

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